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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and the continuing duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants call to the attention of the Examiner the references listed on the attached Forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B. It is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed on attached Forms PTO/SB/08B and PTO/SB/08B be considered by the Examiner and made of record.

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Applicant respectfully requests that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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